

BEGINNER'S GUIDE, PART 5

TO TEXAS 4-H RECORD BOOKS



2023 - 2024

LEADERSHIP

List what you did to assist others throughout this 4-H year. Included elected, appointed and volunteer leadership.

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4-H leadership experiences are the most important things that tell others how the member has been involved in teaching and leading. The 4-H member should be able to demonstrate leadership in three different areas:

- **Promotional** leadership should explain, "How have you told someone about 4H?"
- **Volunteer** leadership should explain, "How and what did I do to lead or teach others in 4-H?"
- **Elected/Appointed** leadership explains, "What did you do to improve 4-H?"



HEAD TO CLEARER THINKING





HANDS TO LARGER SERVICE



COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community service or service-learning projects that might include: clean ups, collections, repairs, construction, care packets, visitations, education, and donations.

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Note: This section is for community service activities only and not for citizenship experiences (citizenship is a project; see category description document for more details).

Community service is the opportunity for 4-H members to go out into the community and help others, or to improve the quality of the town and the lives of those around them. How do you know if what you have been doing is community service? Ask yourself: "What did I do to help other people because of 4-H?"

The descriptions of the community service activities should reflect the importance and impact of the activity. This can include but not limited to the number of lives impacted by the project.

There are three codes that reflect this:

- Y = Yourself - this was a community service project that you did all by yourself with no help from other 4-H members or club.
- P = Provided Primary Leadership - you were the organizer, you made all the arrangements, and recruited other 4-H members to help you.
- M = Member of a Group - when another 4-H member called asking for help, you were there as a worker and helper.

- **LEADERSHIP IS SERVICE WITHIN 4-H TO OTHER MEMBERS OR VOLUNTEERS**
- **COMMUNITY SERVICE IS ASSISTING PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS OUTSIDE OF 4-H (ON BEHALF OF 4-H)**